

## Why?

The complexity and rigor of the National Board process are intense. The reflection and personal growth the process provides are unsurpassed by other professional development.

With these supports, participants will find the path to NB certification more manageable and will be more likely to achieve.

Districts and schools that want to drive student learning recognize the power of Board certification and are taking steps to empower and raise the status of accomplished teachers.

Research on the National Board's proven effectiveness meets the ESSA standard for evidence-based activities. Support of teachers pursuing National Board Certification leverages this research to positively impact students in your district.

## Who?

Teachers, librarians, and counselors pursuing National Board certification can tailor these offerings to meet their needs and personal learning style.

Supporting teachers through this COSER allows the expense of substitutes, conferences, or workshops to be aidable through BOCES.

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# National Board Candidate Support COSER

*Using the expertise of trained Professional Learning Facilitators, teachers are led toward the highest standards of teaching and leadership along their path of professional growth.*



## What?

For a TST BOCES component district's annual investment of **\$880**, **each candidate** will have exclusive access to a variety of learning opportunities and individualized support **locally**.

- Awareness informational meetings
- Next Steps workshop as they kick off their journey
- Shanker Grant Application support
- Support, guidance and reflection from trained Professional Learning Facilitators in year-long cohort
- Multiple Writing Retreats providing dedicated work time for the cohort
- Technical support with uploading portfolio components
- Access to ELT graduate credit courses through Empire College
- Connect with the larger NBCNY network
- CTLE credit hours provided by TST Board approved consultants
- Targeted notice for regional offerings

*It is rare for professional development to provide such opportunity to reflect on my practice. This lead, naturally, to improvement that continues long after submission.*

- Trish Peterson, TST BOCES, 2017 NBCT



## What Teachers Say?

Teachers who have gone through the Board certification process say that it is the most valuable and transformative professional development they have ever received. The opportunity to connect professional learning with classroom practice brings to life a teacher's experience, helping them reflect on individual student learning needs.

## Reasons to Certify?

Board-certified teachers prove their effectiveness in the classroom every day:

- **Students learn more.** A decade of research shows that students of Board-certified teachers learn more than their peers without Board-certified teachers. Studies have also found that **the positive impact of having a Board-certified teacher is even greater for minority and low-income students.**
- **Teachers improve their practice.** Board Certification allows teachers to hone their practice, showcase their talent in the classroom and strengthen their dedication to their students and their profession.
- **Demonstrate a commitment to excellence.** Schools with National Board Certified Teachers are characterized by better teacher morale and retention and increased community involvement.